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hot as molten lead, and as heavy too: God keepe lead out of me, I need no more weight then mine owne bowels. I haue led my rag of Muffins where they are peperd: theres not three of my 150. left aliue, and they are for the townes end, to beg during life: but who comes here?

Enter the Prince.

Prin. What standst thou idle here? lend me thy sword
Many a noble man lies starke and stiffe,
Vnder the houes of vaunting enemies,
Whose deaths are yet vnreuengd, I prethee lend me thy sword
Fal. O Hal, I prethee giue me leaue to breath a while: Turk Gregory neuer did such deeds in armes, as I haue done this day
I haue paid Percy, I haue made him sure.

Prin. He is indeed, and liuing to kill thee,
I prethee lend me thy sword.

Fal. Nay, before God Hal, if Percy be aliue, thou getst not my sword, but take my Pistoll if thou wilt.

Prin. Giue it me, what is it in the case?

Fal. I Hal, tis hot, tis hot, theres that will sacke a City.

The Prince drawes it out, and finds it to be a bottle of sacke.

Prin. What is it a time to iest and dally now?

He throwes the bottle at him.

Exit.

Fal. Wel, If Percy be aliue, Ile pierce him, if he do come in my way: so, if he do not, if I come in his willingly, let him make a Carbonado of me. I like not such grinning honor as sir Walter hath: giue me life, which, if I can saue, so: if not, honour comes vnlookt for, and theres an end.

Alarme, excursions, Enter the King the Prince, Lord Iohn of Lancaster, and Earle of Westmerland.

King. I prethee Harry, withdraw thy selfe, thou bleedest too much, Lord Iohn of Lancaster, go you with him.

P. Ioh. Not I, my Lord, vnlesse I did bleed too.

Prin. I beseech your Maiesty make vp
Lest your retirement do amaze your friends. *(tent*

King. I will do so, my Lord of Westmerland leade him to his

West. Come, my Lord, Ile leade you to your tent,

Prin. Lead me my Lord? I do not need your helpe,
And God forbid a shallow scratch should driue,

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Henry the fourth.

The Prince of Wales from such a field as this,
Where staine Nobility lies troden on,
And rebels armes triumph in massacres.

Iohn. We breath too long, come cosen Westmerland,
Our duty this way lies, For Gods sake come.

Prin. By God, thou hast deceiue me Lancaster,
I did not thinke thee Lord of such a spirit,
Before I loude thee as a brother, Iohn,
But now I do respect thee as my soule.

King. I saw him hold Lord Percy at the point,
With lustier maintenance then I did looke for
Off such an vngrowne warrior.

Prin. O, this boy lends mettall to vs all.

Exit.

Doug. Another king, they grow like Hydras heads,
I am the Douglas fatal to all those
That weare those colours on them. VVhat art thou
That counterfeist the person of a king?

King. The king himself, who Douglas grieues at heart,
So many of his shadowes thou hast met,
And not the very king: I haue two boyes
Seeke Percy and thy selfe about the field,
But seeing thou fallst on me so luckily
I will assay thee, and defend thy selfe.

Doug. I feare thou art another counterfeit,
And yet in faith thou bearest thee like a King,
But mine I am sure thou art, who ere thou be:
And thus I winne thee.

They fight, the King being in danger, Enter prince of Wales.

Prin. Hold vp thy head vile Scot or thou art like
Neuer to hold it vp againe, the spirit
Of valiant Sherly, Stafford, Blunt are in my armes
It is the Prince of VVales, that threatens thee,
VVho neuer promiseth, but he meanes to pay.

They fight, Douglas flieth.

Cheerely my Lord, how fares your grace?

Sir Nicholas Gawsey hath for succor sent,
And so hath Clifton, ile to Clifton straight,

King. Stay, and breath a while,

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